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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 20

12 Noon
At Marina Jack

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November Program:

Race and Racism on the Death Penalty

Professor James D. Unnever will share with us his research that explores the role that race and racism has on support for the death penalty in the United States and cross-culturally.

About Our Speaker – James D. Unnever

James D. Unnever is a Senior Research Fellow, University of Cincinnati, Center for Communities & Justice and a retired Professor of Criminology from the University of South Florida. He received his doctorate in sociology from Duke University (1980). He has over 60 peer reviewed articles and has published multiple books including *A Theory of African American Offending Race, Racism, and Crime* (2011). Most of his research has focused on how race and racism influence the likelihood of African American offending and how they are related to crime control policies such as support for the death penalty. He has been hired by the Hague International Court, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), and has testified for the defense in a death penalty case. His testimony focused on whether death qualified juries are systemically racially biased. He was the recipient of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences' *Donal A. J. MacNamara Award*.

Luncheon & Dues Payments

You may make 2025 payments on our website at the bottom of the [Events](#) page:
\$35 for lunch and/or \$65 for dues using PayPal at
www.retiredattorneyssarasota.org

Or you may mail a check for the luncheon payment of \$35 payable to the
Association of Retired Attorneys of Sarasota, Inc.

Please send to: Ben Berman, 4223 MacKay Falls Terrace, Sarasota, FL 34243

We are pleased to accept your payment by check or through our online payment option. Please get your luncheon payment to Ben prior to Wednesday of the luncheon week. After that Wednesday, no refunds can be given since the venue will have been notified of your intention to attend.

Future Programs

Please note the following dates for the next luncheons.

For the Balance of this calendar year, we will continue to meet at Marina Jacks in the second-floor conference room.

Beginning in January of 2026 we will meet at the "Varsity Club" at University Park Country Club (UPCC). In December's Amicus publication information will be provided about parking and menu selections at UPCC. We are able to reduce the charge for our luncheons held at UPCC from \$35 to \$32.

Our schedule at Marina Jacks is as follows:

Thursday, November 20, 2025

Thursday, December 18, 2025

Our schedule for "The Varsity Club" at University Park Country is as follows:

Friday, January 30, 2026

Friday, February 27, 2026

Friday, March 27, 2026

Friday, April 24, 2026

Friday, May 29, 2026

Friday, September 25, 2026

Friday, October 30, 2026

Friday, November 20, 2026

Friday, December 18, 2026

Ideas for Future Programs?

The Program Committee is always receptive to ideas for future programs. If any member has a topic or a speaker to suggest, please contact Harold Zabin at hpzabin@aol.com or Jim Case at JamesWCase1968@gmail.com .

Any member interested in participating in the Program Committee should contact Harold Zabin or Jim Case at the addresses above.

What Do Retired Attorneys Do?

We are soliciting items, which can be as short as one paragraph if you like, talking about a past-time of yours that may be of interest to our membership. Please send your idea to retiredattorneysofsarasota@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you!

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have items of interest to the members, please forward them to David Goldrich at petsdad@aol.com